## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

| OFFICIAL WARNING                 |
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| VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS |
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CASE NO. TN 130029

**VIOLATOR** 

SPENCER BENEDICT
ADDRESS (Street, City, State, Zip Code)

345 Matthews Mill Rd.

Glasgow, KY 42141

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal law:

Date of Violation: August 27, 2012

## 15 U.S.C. § 1824(2) - Unlawful acts

"The (A) showing or exhibiting, in any horse show or horse exhibition, of any horse which is sore, (B) entering for the purpose of showing or exhibiting in any horse show or horse exhibition, any horse which is sore, (C) selling, auctioning, or offering for sale, in any horse sale or auction, any horse which is sore, and (D) allowing any activity described in clause (A), (B), or (C) respecting a horse which is sore by the owner of such horse."

Spencer Benedict entered for the purpose of showing the horse, "Progressive Power," in the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration, which was found sore.

Titles 7 & 9 Code of Federal Regulations were promulgated to help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases and assure the humane treatment of animals. Since the violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impact detrimental to the public interest, you are warned of this violation. Any further violation of these regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty or criminal prosecution. If you have any questions concerning this warning or violation, please contact the listed APHIS official.

| APHIS OFFICIAL (Name, Title)                           |              | OFFICE ADDRESS:                        |  |
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